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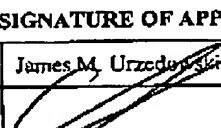
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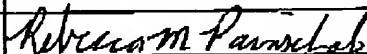
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Applicant attempted to reach Examiner Vi X. Nguyen on July 18, 2005 and according to a voicemail message was to be out of the Office until July 25, 2005. Applicant then called the Examiner's supervisor, Anh Tuan Nguyen on July 18, 2005 and received a return phone call on July 19, 2005. Examiner Anh Tuan Nguyen stated that Examiner Vi X. Nguyen prepared a non-final Office Action on May 31, 2005 and was unsure why. Examiner Anh Tuan Nguyen said he would look into it. On August 2, 2005, Applicant attempted to reach the Examiner regarding the status and left a message with Examiner which was not returned. The six-month date for responding the Final Office Action is August 7, 2005. Therefore, Applicant submits this conditional Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal to avoid abandonment of the application.

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